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MEMORANDUM FOR: Acting Director of Central Intelligence

THROUGH: Acting Chief, Development Projects Division *8104*  
Deputy Director (Plans) *Reidy*

SUBJECT: The Handling of Cuban Photography

1. This memorandum requests your approval of paragraph 9.

2. Plans are afoot for the Agency to use the U-2 to obtain photography on Cuba. It is understood that the first coverage, whether one or more missions, will be comprehensive and become a base against which to appraise developments and to permit damage assessment periodically as required subsequently.

3. The scheme selected for the security handling of this material and information derived from it must ensure protection of the fact of U.S. overflight of Cuba, particularly that it was accomplished by a U-2, and at the same time the method of handling must have sufficient flexibility to permit use of the material to meet current needs of the Government which transcend those involved in CIA operations.

4. The military services, particularly the Navy and Air Force, have current needs for photography. The Navy earlier was able to obtain photography for its use and in particular the theater commander involved. Rough estimates by the Navy and Air Force at this time suggest around two hundred people each will need the materials in some form and information derived therefrom.

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The attached paper was rejected by General Cabell and replaced by TCS-8109-60, which was placed on the agenda of the USIB for November 1, 1960.

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